



NEWS RELEASE
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**City and County of Honolulu, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, requesting
community input on alternative plans developed for the
Ala Wai Flood Risk Management General Reevaluation Study**

Tuesday, July 26, 5:30-8:30 p.m. (virtual)

Thursday, July 28, 5:30-8:30 p.m. (Ala Wai Golf Course Club House 2nd floor ballroom)

HONOLULU – The City and County of Honolulu in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), will hold two public workshops to gather feedback and input on an initial array of preliminary alternative plans developed for the Ala Wai Flood Risk Management General Reevaluation (GR) Study. The workshops will present results of the study process to-date, present an initial array of alternative plans, and gather community input and feedback on the alternative plans presented.

The July 26 and 28 workshops will provide the public an opportunity to discuss and provide input on an initial array of alternative flood risk management plans, prior to the development of the final array of alternatives plan and selection of a recommended plan. Each alternative comprises a suite of management measures that work together to manage flood risk. A preview of these alternatives in the form of a tracking spreadsheet is available at www.honolulu.gov/AlaWai.

In November 2021, the first round of community meetings introduced the GR study, gathered initial input and ideas from the community, and included an interactive workshop to brainstorm potential solutions and identify concerns in the study area. In January 2022, the study team presented a revised public engagement and communications strategy that included additional virtual public meetings and enhanced online engagement opportunities. In April 2022, a series of workshops were held to discuss the development and screening of flood risk management measures throughout the watershed.

At the next stage of the public engagement, tentatively scheduled for November 2022, the public will have an opportunity to provide formal comments on the draft report and tentatively selected plan. After completion of the final report in the spring of 2023, there will be another opportunity for the public to discuss and provide feedback on the final recommendation by USACE. In

addition to the public meetings and workshops, the public can engage the study team via several online mechanisms available 24/7. Interested parties can submit comments via a fillable comment form on the project website (www.honolulu.gov/alawai/contact) as well as by sending an email directly to AlaWai@honolulu.gov.

Additional information is available at www.honolulu.gov/AlaWai regarding the study, the public engagement plan, communication tools, and the management measures and alternative plans under consideration.

Access information for the July 26 virtual meeting:

Join the workshops via Cisco Webex platform at:

<https://usace1.webex.com/meet/AlaWai>

Access Webex through a web browser (there is no need to download the Webex app). For the most reliable audio, select “Call Me” and input your telephone number.

Audio-only access is also available by calling 1-844-800-2712. Use access code 1992 62 9020.

Access information for the July 28 in-person meeting:

Ala Wai Golf Course Club House 2nd floor ballroom

404 Kapahulu Ave, Honolulu, HI 96815

Ballroom doors will open at 5p.m.

*The virtual workshop on July 26 will be recorded; the in-person workshop will not be recorded.
Recordings and Q&A content will be posted to the project website.*

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